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SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

MATTERS IN MOROCCO.

GRAVE ASPECT.

[THE "TELEGRAPH" CORRESPONDENT.]

London, July 25, 8 p.m.
The state of affairs in Morocco has assumed a grave aspect.

Sir Edward Grey, the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has visited His Majesty the King to discuss the situation.

An urgent meeting of the Cabinet has been called.

Lloyds are refusing to insure against war risks.

HOME RACING.

STEWARDS' CUP.

[THE "TELEGRAPH" CORRESPONDENT.]

London, July 25, 8 p.m.

The following is the result of the race for the Stewards' Cup at Goodwood:—

Baxted 1
Great Surprise 2
Moreutio 3

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS

THE CONSTANTINOPOLE FIRE.

FIGHTING THE FLAMES.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

London, July 25, 9.40 a.m.

Constantinople messages state that during the conflagration in the city, bluejackets from the English, the German, the French and the Italian guardships, with pumps, were most active in fighting the flames and in assisting in the work of rescue.

The Balata quarter, which is mostly Jewish, has been destroyed.

[The Balata district is one of the districts of Christian Constantinople, so-called, as apart from Constantinople proper or Stamboul. It would appear from the accounts to hand that the fire must have been the work of incendiaries as the outbreak took place simultaneously on both sides of the Golden Horn.]

ARBITRATION TREATY.

SIGNED BY SOUTH AMERICAN STATES.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

London, July 25, 9.40 a.m.

A telegram from Buenos Ayres states that Argentina and Venezuela have signed the Arbitration Treaty.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

AMERICA AND CANADA.

RECIPROCITY AGREEMENT.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

London, July 25, 9.40 a.m.

A message from Ottawa intimates that in the House of Commons Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Prime Minister of Canada, announced that whilst the Government in England had ordered preparations for a General Election, he was confident that the verdict of the electorate would be in favour of the Reciprocity Treaty as between Canada and the United States.

HOME POLITICS.

LORDS AND COMMONS.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

London, July 25, 3.30 p.m.

The Liberal papers denounce the display made by the Unionists in the House of Commons on the occasion of the final debate on the Parliament Bill as "impotent imbecility."

The comments of the Conservative Press are taken as indicative of a Party split.

The "Morning Post," the "Standard" and the "Daily Mail" consider that Mr. Asquith's reception in the House of Commons will be regarded as one of "shameless and unexampled violence."

The "Daily Telegraph" says that "it was a case of sheer brutality, senseless and insolent."

"The interruptions were simply disgusting."

"Such an exhibition of political unwisdom on the part of the extremists ought to lead to a speedy collapse, whatever influence they might possess."

POSTPONED SPEECH.

London, July 25, 3.30 p.m.

The Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, Leader of the Opposition, has postponed an important speech which he was to deliver to the City Conservatives to-day.

The "Morning Post" says that the postponement of the delivery of the speech is the result of a

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

disagreement in the committee as to the terms of the resolution to be submitted to the meeting. There is a growing dislike to those of the Party who are showing the white flag, and who might be provoked to angry scenes.

HALSBURY BANQUET.

London, July 25, 3.30 p.m.

The organisers of the banquet to Lord Halsbury in recognition of his services to the Unionist Party, state that there will be present at the function one hundred and twenty Peers and one hundred Commons, including Mr. Auston Chamberlain.

A strong letter from Mr. Joseph Chamberlain will be read.

LANSDOWNE'S LAST RESORT.

London, July 25, 3.30 p.m.

A letter to his followers, requesting them to state whether or no they are in favour of his policy.

One hundred and ten have signified assent.

DISCOURTESY TO THE PREMIER.

London, July 25, 3.30 p.m.

Many Unionist members of the House of Commons are signing the memorial to the Premier, Mr. Asquith, regretting the personal discourtesy shown towards him in yesterday's scene, which, the memorial asserts, must have been pre-arranged by a group of irreconcilables.

THE KING AND THE CRISIS.

London, July 25, 3.30 p.m.

In a Court Circular it is announced that His Majesty the King has postponed his visit to Goodwood owing to the political crisis.

PREMIER OVATED.

London, July 25, 2.10 a.m.

In the House of Commons at question time, Mr. H. H. Asquith, the Premier, received an ovation.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

Lord Hugh Cecil, who was prominent in what the Liberals describe as yesterday's "Hugilliganism," attempted to put a supplementary question, but his voice was drowned in shouts of "Divide" and "Hottentot."

A wrangle ensued, in the course of which Mr. Asquith characterised another member's question as insolent.

Ultimately, the House went into Committee of Supply.

It was noteworthy that Mr. F. E. Smith, of the Young Conservative Party, left the Front Bench for the next and that Lord Hugh Cecil was below the Gangway.

HALSBURY DINNER.

London, July 25, 9.45 p.m.

The arrangements for the Party dinner to be given to Lord Halsbury have been completed.

It is announced that upwards of one hundred Commons will attend.

The names of the Duke of Northumberland and of Lord Milner are included in the toast list.

MR. BALFOUR'S VIEWS.

London, July 26, 3.30 p.m.

The Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, the Leader of the Opposition, in his speech to City Conservatives, said he thought the majority of the Lords should support Lord Lansdowne.

The real character of the peril, he added, was obscured by the clouds of controversy. There was no resemblance between a Peer proposing a vote to restore the Lords' amendments and a soldier dying at his post.

LEADERS CONFER.

London July 26, 7.10 a.m.

Lord St. Aldwyn had an audience in the afternoon with Mr. Balfour which was followed by a lengthy interview with Lord Lansdowne.

BISLEY RIFLE MEETING.

KING'S PRIZE.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

London, July 25, 3.30 p.m.

At the Bisley Rifle Meeting, the King's Prize was won by Clifford of Canada, with a score of 319.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

AFFAIRS IN PERSIA.

PREMIER DEPOSED.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

London, July 25, 3.30 p.m.

A Tehran message states that the Majlis has voted for the removal of the Premier Sipahdar from the Cabinet.

A number of reactionaries have been arrested.

MOROCCAN MATTERS.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S SPEECH.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

London, July 25, 3.30 p.m.

The governmentally inspired papers in Berlin are now most bitter in their denunciation of the speech of the Right Hon. D. Lloyd George, Chancellor of the Exchequer, which they describe as an inadmissible interference with the negotiations of which the nature cannot be known.

Advice in the form of a threat, they declare, cannot be tolerated.

[The speech referred to was delivered by Mr. Lloyd George at the Mansion House two or three days ago. In reply to the toast of "Prosperity to the Public Purse," he said that peace was the first condition of prosperity, and one hundred Commons will maintain for peace. If the situation were forced upon us, wherein peace was only preservable by a surrender of the great and beneficent position held by Britain, won through centuries of heroism and achievement, by allowing her to be treated, when her interests were vitally affected, as if of no account in the cabinet of nations, then, he said emphatically that peace at that price would be a humiliation and could not be tolerated by a great country like ours.]

MOBILISATION OF TROOPS IN GERMANY.

London, July 26, 7.10 a.m.

There are rumours that the situation in Morocco is becoming acute. Also there is a talk of Germany mobilising four hundred thousand reservists.

A special meeting of the Cabinet has been summoned at the House of Commons in the afternoon to consider the situation in Morocco.

The French Ambassador and the Austrian Ambassador have each visited the Foreign Office.

Sir Edward Grey, Foreign Minister, had an audience of one hour's duration with the King at Buckingham Palace, after having previously conferred with Mr. Asquith and Mr. Lloyd George.

DROUGHT IN ENGLAND.

AT AN END.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

London, July 25, 3.30 p.m.

The rainfall of yesterday evening brought to an end the twenty-four days' drought which had been experienced in the South of England.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

ILLNESS OF THE POPE.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

London, July 25, 4.40 p.m.

Owing to a severe cold, His Holiness Pope Leo has suspended all audiences at the Vatican.

THE SEALING TREATY.

RATIFIED AT WASHINGTON.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

London, July 25, 2.10 a.m.

The Pelagic Sealing Treaty between Great Britain, the United States, Russia and Japan has been ratified at Washington.

OBITUARY.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

London, July 25, 9.45 p.m.

The death is announced of Sir William Tyrone Power.

[“Who's Who” says:—“Sir William Tyrone Power, K.C.B., created 1865. Commander General-in-Chief of the British Army; born 1819; married 1895, Martha, daughter of J. Moorhead. Address—Kilmure, Tunbridge Wells, and Annaghmore-Kerrig, Doohat, Clones, Ireland.”]

THE AVIATION RACE.

IN SCOTLAND.

The aviators Beaumont and Vendrines, in the race from Edinburgh, via Stirling and Glasgow, to Carlisle, finished neck and neck, despite the fact of Vendrines losing his way at Glasgow.

Valentine, the English aeronaut, met with an accident after leaving Stirling.

Everywhere along the route, enormous crowds witnessed the flight of the airships.

HOME CRICKET.

ACCEPTANCES.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

London, July 25, 4.40 p.m.

Hobbs and Strudwick have accepted the invitation of the Marylebone Cricket Club to play in the English XI against Australia.

Douglas has also accepted a place.

COUNTY RESULTS.

London, July 25, 9.45 p.m.

Notts won by an innings and four runs.

Warwickshire won by seven wickets.

HOME RACING.

STEWARDS' CUP.

[SERVICE TO THE "TELEGRAPH."]

London, July 25, 1.45 p.m.

Additional probabilities for the race for the Stewards' Cup at Goodwood are:—

Uncle Pat.
Bobbie II.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

JOCKEYS.

London, July 25, 8 p.m.

Prince San will be ridden by Fox, Levanger by O'Neill, Bobbin II. by Robbins, Great Surprise by Ringstead, Romney by Sharpe, Mount Felix by Huxley, and Ouida Halfa by Stokes.

SCRATCHINGS.

London, July 25, 8 p.m.
St. Anton was scratched at 12.53 p.m. to-day, also Uncle Pat and Spanish Prince.

THE RESULT.

London, July 25, 2.10 a.m.
The result of the race for the Stewards' Cup at Goodwood was as follows:—

Braxted 1
Great Surprise 2
Moreutio 3

Nineteen ran. Braxted won by three-quarters of a length, and one length separated second and third.

The field got away to a good start. At the half distance, Braxted led from Moreutio, Runymede and Great Surprise, and won easily.

The betting was 25 to 1 against Braxted, 10 to 1 Great Surprise, and 6 to 1 Moreutio.

CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

APPLIES FOR AN ASSISTANT.

[“SHUNG PO” SERVICE.]

Peking, July 26.

Owing to pressure of work, Prince Ching, the President of the new Cabinet, finds it difficult to look after the business in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and has accordingly asked the Prince Regent to appoint Prince Chun to help him to transact some of the state affairs.

THE CHINA MERCHANTS STEAMSHIP CO.

COMMERCIAL CONTROL.

[“SHUNG PO” SERVICE.]

Peking, July 25.

The Ministry of Communications has telegraphed to Shanghai, informing the public that the China Merchants Steamship Co. will be continued under commercial control.

CHINA'S NAVY.

TRAINING COLLEGES TO BE ESTABLISHED.

[“SHUNG PO” SERVICE.]

Peking, July 25.

The Naval Board in Peking proposes to establish a quick training naval college at Newchwang, a large naval University at Chu Shan and a college for submarine training in each of the treaty ports.

The Weather Forecast.



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Hongkong, 24th July, 1911. [19]

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Hongkong, 1st Mar., 1911. [281]

OUR CONTEMPORARIES

What They Think.

China Mail.

Local Railway Management.

The train service also is such that business people can scarcely be expected to go out for anything more than week-end trips. The first train in the morning arrives at Kowloon at 10.35 a.m. and the last train out leaves Kowloon at 3 p.m. No complaint of bad times, but the slackest business could scarcely be run to fit in with such hours. If any use whatever is to be made of the grand country beyond the Kowloon hills as a residential district, there should be a train arriving at Kowloon about 9 a.m. and one leaving between 5 and 6 in the afternoon. A futile attempt was made to establish the reputation of Tai-po as a bathing resort, but as unfortunately it possesses nothing worthy of the name of a bathing beach and as the return train landed one back in Kowloon just when it was getting cool enough to bathe with comfort, this ill-thought-out scheme proved a failure. The dressing sheds have been removed to Lok-lo-ha, where the conditions are little better.

We have been promised the opening of the through line to Canton early in the autumn, and we hope it is not too much to expect that with it we shall see a train service which will do justice to the large amount of money the Colony has put into its railway venture.

Daily Press.

The Shipping Strike.

After the experience of the last few weeks there can be no doubt about the ability of the seamen's and dockers' organisations to carry out the policy which their leaders have adopted, and intimated, as they are, with the victory they have just won, the leaders of the men may be expected to prepare with enthusiasm for the coming "bigger fight." While the present Government remains in power in the United Kingdom nothing is likely to be done to discourage agitation which is simply anarchical in its objects, for we shall doubtless be told that it does not necessarily involve all the disastrous consequences to the British shipping trade with the East that we have indicated. In proof whereof we may expect to be cited, for example, the flourishing Blue Funnel line whose ships are manned by white seamen, but we presume from the wording of Mr. Wilson's declaration of policy that even these ships will not be unmolested, for they have Chinese stokers, and the organisation of which Mr. Wilson is the leading spirit, embraces firemen as well as seamen. In view of what has just been accomplished by this organisation, the declaration of policy just announced by the prime agitator and endorsed by a gathering of several thousand men at Glasgow, cannot be regarded as an idle threat, and we may count upon hearing a great deal more of the matter before another year has passed.

South China Morning Post.

The Property Boom.

During the China-Japan war hundreds of Chinese flocked to Hongkong for safety and houses were bought and rented at famine prices for the accommodation of their families. Properly boomed for a time in consequence. Speculators caught the fever and bought recklessly with a view to obtaining a slice of the large profits then being made. The demand, however, gradually came down to normal and not a few of the speculators found that they were unable to complete their purchases. The crash came soon, a large amount of property was thrown on the market and the effects were felt in the Colony for years afterwards. The foregoing is cited briefly as a warning against over-speculation in the boom which has similarly followed the recent troubles in Canton. Numbers of properties are reported to have already changed hands at abnormal prices and, if the information supplied by our readers, in the course of last week's interesting discussion on the housing problem, is correct, not a few landlords, with a keen eye to the off-chance of a profitable sale, have raised their rents out of all proportion to the value of the accommodation they offer.

COMPANY REPORT.

The Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co. Ltd.

The following is a report of the Board of Directors of the above named company:

The directors beg to submit to the shareholders the report and statement of accounts for the half-year ending 30th June last.

After paying running expenses, salaries, profits of insurance, repairs and all other charges there remains, including \$20,000.00 brought forward from last account, the sum of \$164,428.30 at credit of profit and loss account. From this amount the directors recommend that a dividend for the half-year of one dollar and twenty-five cents per share or \$100,000 be paid to shareholders, \$20,000 be written off book value of steamers, \$5,000 be written off wharves and properties, \$10,000 be transferred to depreciation and insurance funds, \$5,000 be transferred to special repairs fund, leaving a balance of \$24,428.30 to be carried forward to new account.

There is nothing of special interest to report in connection with the working of the steamers. The usual overhauls and repairs have been effected during the half-year and the steamers are all in good running order.

Mr. R. Sheehan resigned his seat on leaving the Colony.

In accordance with the articles of association Messrs. F. A. Gomes and R. Fuhrmann retire from the board by rotation, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

The retiring auditors, Messrs. A. O. D. Gourdin and W. Hutton Potts, offer themselves for re-election.

Balance Sheet.

Liabilities.

June 30, 1911.

Amount of Capital, 8,000 shares of \$10 each fully paid up	80,000.00
Amount at Credit of Depreciation and Insurance Fund	630,000.00
Amount at Credit of Equalization of Dividend	25,000.00
Amount at Credit of Investment - Flotation Account	31,619.75
Amount at Credit of Special Repairs Fund	4,213.85
Unclaimed Dividend	4,533.00
Sundry Creditors	21,131.14
Accounts Payable	53,359.70
Amount at Credit of Profit and Loss Account	164,428.30
	\$2,363,573.99

Assets.

June 30, 1911.

Value of Steamers "Bismarck," "Hengshan," "Sui An," "Sui To," and "Hoi Sang," plus of "Kia Hai," and of "Saiam," "Xinming," "Linton," and "Saiu"	1,062,000.00
Value of Lighters "Sunless" and "Wahon"	7,900.00
Value of Wharves, Docks and Moorings	127,743.11
Value of Properties at Canton, Kowloon and Wharves	117,406.77
Value of Spare Gear and Stores	21,937.76
Value of Furniture	1,000.00
Value of Shares in Public Companies	715,378.00
Loans on Mortgage	103,000.00
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	11,555.39
Current Account	321.68
Interest Accrued	20,585.18
Sundry Debtors	17,563.08
Accounts Receivable	9,015.01
Marine and Fire Insurance Premiums unexpired	
	\$2,363,573.99

Profit and Loss Account.

Dr.

30th June, 1911.

To amount paid for repairs to steamers and wharves	\$ 23,377.07
To directors' and auditors' fees	1,751.04
Balance to be appropriated, viz.:	
To dividend of \$1.25 per share on 8,000 shares	\$100,000.00
To be written off book value of steamers	20,000.00
To be written off book value of properties and wharves	5,000.00
To be carried to Depreciation and Insurance Fund	10,000.00
To be carried to Special Repairs Fund	5,000.00

To be carried forward to new account	24,428.30
	161,428.30
	\$192,555.37
Cr.	
30th June, 1911.	
By amount brought forward from last account	\$ 20,000.00
By net earnings of steamers	137,476.22
By net income from investment	35,309.15
By transfer from	70.00
	\$192,555.37
Depreciation and Insurance Fund.	
Dr.	
30th June, 1911.	
To balance	\$630,000.00
	\$630,000.00
Cr.	
31st December, 1910.	
By amount at credit	\$630,000.00
	\$630,000.00
Equalization of Dividend Fund.	
Dr.	
30th June, 1911.	
To balance	\$25,000.00
	\$25,000.00
Cr.	
31st December, 1910.	
By amount at credit	\$25,000.00
	\$25,000.00
Special Repairs Fund.	
Dr.	
30th June, 1911.	
To Sundry Disbursements	1,013.50
To balance	4,213.85
	\$ 5,227.35
Cr.	
31st December, 1910.	
By amount at credit	\$ 5,227.35
	\$ 5,227.35

OUR LETTER BOX.

[The opinions expressed by our correspondents are not necessarily those of "The Hongkong Telegraph"]

MR. HOOPER'S RESIGNATION.

[To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph"]

Sir,—As I have now received His Excellency the Governor's acknowledgment of my resignation as one of the members of the Sanitary Board elected by the community, I desire to communicate to them the reasons for resigning six months before my term of office expires.

On the 20th June the President submitted to the Board a new set of Draft Bye-Laws relating to Scavenging and Conservancy to replace the existing ones.

Before considering and making the new ones it was necessary by Special Resolution to repeal those then in force.

The Repealing clause submitted in draft was as follows:—"All the bye-laws originally contained or since added to Schedule B of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinances, 1903-09, and published at page 480 of the Regulations of Hongkong, 1910, under the heading "Scavenging and Conservancy" are hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor:—

1. Approved of the repeal but objected to the words "and at page 480 of the Regulations of Hongkong 1910."

1. Because they were unnecessary, the said Bye-laws being completely and accurately described and set out in the Schedule of the Ordinances itself which had been approved by the Legislative Council and published in the "Government Gazette," being the only official record recognised by the Courts of Law.

2. Because the book referred to I had never seen and as far as I am aware it is not a Public Record or evidence of any act of the Legislative Council or of the Sanitary Board admissible in a Court of Law.

I therefore proposed the deletion of the words complained of, which on being duly seconded, the Board ordered the words to be struck out. The President of the Board informed me that the Bye-Laws and the repealing clause were sent to the Government as amended by the Board.

On the 6th July—10 days after the Board made the Bye-Laws—the Colonial Secretary at the Legislative Council in moving the approval of the Council stated:—"That the Bye-Laws only reached the office a short time ago and that it was not possible to get them in the hands of Hon. Members previously—I understand they were passed by the Sanitary

Board and submitted in the usual form."

The Council therefore approved of them without having them in their hands previously for examination and being given to understand they were made by the Board.

In fact the "Government Gazette" of 7th July records the fact that they were made by the Sanitary Board.

Now as to the merits of the retention or deletion of the words by the Sanitary Board I have nothing more to say and if the Board had retained them I should have bowed to their decision.

The grievance I complain of is:—That an act of the Board after full discussion is unconstitutional and illegally set aside not by the Legislative Council or His Excellency the Governor but by some Department of the Government without a reference back to the Board or without even informing the Legislative Council that the words complained of had been by Special Resolution disapproved of by the Board.

The President of the Board states:—

1. He was not aware of the addition before it was submitted to the Legislative Council.

2. That the words were reinserted by the authority of the Colonial Secretary.

It is extraordinary and inconceivable to me that the very words struck out by the Sanitary Board were reinserted by the Colonial Secretary unless he were asked to do so and the President of the Board denies that he was a party to it. Who did so? and Why?

The powers of the Board have of late years been so considerably curtailed in a constitutional manner—which had to be inevitably accepted by the Board—that when its actions are set aside irregularly I feel that however much I may wish to assist for the general good of the public, I cannot waste my time at a public body working under statutory powers when such treatment as above indicated is meted out to its members.

For those reasons I would ask you to elect some other member in my place.

In severing my connection with the Board I desire to express to His Excellency the Governor, the public and the President of the Board my thanks for the support they have given me in my endeavour to improve the status and usefulness of the Board.—Yours, etc.

A. SHELTON HOOPER.

Hongkong, July 26th, 1911.

NEW TUG AND SALVAGE STEAMER FOR TAIKOO.

There was launched to-day at 10 a.m. from the Shipbuilding Yard of the Taikoo Dockyard and Engineering Company (Hongkong) Ltd., a handsomely modelled twin screw tug boat which has been built for service at the Dockyard and for salvage work.

The vessel, which is 150 feet long by 26 ft. 6 in. beam by 13 ft. 6 in. deep, is fitted with two large multitubular boilers and two sets of compound surface condensing engines, and all the latest auxiliaries, and will develop about 1,600 indicated horse power; and will thus rank as one of the most powerful towing craft in the East. Steam windlass, steam winches, steam steering gear have been installed and the vessel has a large hold and heavy mast and derrick for salvage work. Quarters have also been arranged for carrying a large salvage party.

The launch was witnessed by a large party among whom were Mr. D. Macdonald, Mr. John Lambert, Mr. J. Von Heigen, Mr. J. Neilson, Mr. J. Finlay Miller, Mr. A. Ritchie, Captain Douglas, Captain Arthur, Mr. H. Van Zuylen, Mr. Murray Scott, Mr. D. Templeton, Captain R. Innes, Captain J. Sutherland, Mr. J. Lennox, Mr. M. Murray and Mr. G. M. Young. The launching ceremony was gracefully performed by Miss Roy McGregor.

THE LATE FATHER POLETTI.

An Impressive Funeral.

The mortal remains of the late Father A. Poletti, of the Roman Catholic Mission, who died at the Government Civil Hospital on Monday last, were laid to rest in the Catholic Cemetery at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon. In the morning a requiem mass was held at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception and in the afternoon the first part of the burial service was held at the Cathedral. The funeral started from the sacred edifice at 5.30 p.m. Immediately following the hearse was the Rt. Rev. Bishop Pozzoni who was chief mourner. His Lordship was supported by Rev. Fr. A. Plazek, a close friend of the late Fr. Poletti and Father Banque. Following the principal mourners were the members of the Catholic clergy, Rev. Bro. Christian, Director of St. Joseph's College, and the whole of the European staff, the Sisters and girls of the Italian Convent, a large number of Chinese converts from the mainland and friends. Arriving at the Monument the mournful procession was augmented by a considerable number of followers representing the various Catholic organisations in Hongkong. When the hearse arrived at the Cemetery gate the coffin, over which rested the surplice and stole of the deceased priest, were drawn out by eight Chinese Catholics from Fr. Poletti's district. It so happened that a large number of them were present in Hongkong to attend a conference and others came across from Sai-kung and vicinity especially to attend the funeral.

A procession was then formed, headed by the Bishop in his mitre. Behind his Lordship walked the Italian Fathers, followed by the Spanish Franciscans, the Spanish Missionaries, and others of the Benedictine Order. Then came the coffin, followed by the hundred odd natives from the interior, the European friends of the deceased brought up the rear. The Convent Sisters and school girls in their uniforms lined up in double file on either side of the gravel pathway from the gate to the graveside. Besides Bishop Pozzoni, who read the impressive service there were also present:—Rev. Fathers L. Robert, F. Noval, procurators of the French and Spanish Missions, respectively; Senhor J. J. Leiria, Consul for Portugal; Mr. Galuzzi, acting Consul-General for Italy; Mr. J. Osmund, representing the European Catholic Union; Chevalier Francisco Tse Yut, president of the Chinese Catholic Union and members of the Catholic associations.

The officiating prelate commenced the service with the intoning of the hymn "In Paradisum;" then the "Kyrie Eleison" was sung, at the conclusion of which the mourners recited the Pater Noster, the Bishop leading. The Benedictus having been sung, His Lordship proceeded to bless the corpse, at the conclusion of which the casket was lowered into the grave by deceased's own converts from the New Territory. The whole ceremony was most touching. During his last illness, the late Fr. Poletti spent a few days at the Calvary where he was most kindly attended to by the French Sisters, before being transferred to the Government Civil Hospital.

A Naini Tal Tragedy.

Naini Tal, 5th July.—A terrible tragedy was enacted at Naini Tal on the 5th inst., at 2 p.m. when Mr. Hugh Osborne, son of the late Rev. Mr. Osborne, of the Methodist Ministry, and brother of Mr. Melville Osborne, of the Madras Bar, shot Margret Knight, aged eleven, the daughter of Conductor Knight of the Inspector-General of Ordnance Factories Office, and then committed suicide. The deceased was about to return to his post as a teacher in Jubbalpur and had sent on his baggage in advance. The crime seems to have been the result of homicidal mania, as Osborne had no apparent motive in shooting the girl.

To-day's Advertisements

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LD.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of One Dollar (\$1) per share for the six months ending 30th June 1911, will be payable on SATURDAY, the 29th July, 1911, on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained at the Company's Office.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Thursday, the 27th July, to Saturday, the 29th July, 1911, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO., General Managers, Hongkong, 26th July, 1911. [1276]

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN. IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"KLEIST," having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd of August, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 2nd of August, at 9.30 a.m. All claims must reach us before the 4th of August, 1911, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

This steamer brings Cargo Ex S.S. "Orsel," from Venice. Transhipped at Port Said.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD MELOCHERS & CO., General Agents, Hongkong, 26th July, 1911. [7]

NEW ICE FACTORY.

To be Established in Canton.

THE "TELEGRAPH" CORRESPONDENT, Canton, July 25.

Canton has hitherto depended on Hongkong for the supply of ice during the hot weather. Last year, Mr. Lum, a merchant, obtained permission from the Tao-tai of the Promotion of Industries to monopolise the sale of ice for a term of fifteen years. A company has now been floated, by public subscription, and a new ice factory has been established near Sai-kwan. The plant which has just been erected is capable of turning 24 tons of ice daily. The first supply will be on sale some time next week.

PORTENTS OF A STORM.

Panic in Canton.

THE "TELEGRAPH" CORRESPONDENT, Canton, July 25.

On the afternoon of the 23rd inst., a rumour quickly gained ground that the anarchists would bombard the city at midnight. There was great excitement among the people in the city. The women and children were panic stricken and fled in all directions. Hotels, boarding houses and flower boats took advantage of the opportunity and reaped a harvest as the people were eager to go to a place of safety for the night. Although it was a false alarm, the authorities lost no time in despatching troops to maintain order and to take every precaution against an outbreak. A large number of people are leaving for Hongkong and Macao daily.

PREPARED OPIUM.

To be Taxed in the Interior.

(THE "TELEGRAPH" CORRESPONDENT, Canton, July 25.)

H. E. the Viceroy is in receipt of a despatch from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the effect that if the authorities could introduce a taxation on prepared opium in the interior without applying same to the treaty ports, they are at liberty to do so. H. E. the Viceroy has instructed the Anti-Opium Bureau to consider the matter and see whether tenders can be invited for the collection of the tax for the Government. The Anti-Opium Bureau is drafting these regulations.

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OLOF WIK & CO., Chins Agencies Aktiebolag, York Buildings, Hongkong, 25th July, 1911. [1276]

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THE Imperial German Mail Steamship

"KLEIST," Captain L. Maass, will leave for the above places TO-DAY, the 26th inst., at 6 p.m.

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FROM EUROPE.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st prox., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 1st inst., at 9.30 a.m.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

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HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE. HONGKONG OFFICE. Hongkong, 25th July, 1911. [981]

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Hongkong, 16th Aug., 1910. [84]

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TSINGTAU, WEIHAI, WEI & CHEFOO		
SHANGHAI	KWONGSANG	Friday, 28th July, Noon.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Saturday, 29th July, 2 P.M.
MANILA	YUENSANG	Saturday, 5th Aug., 2 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	KUTSANG	Tuesday, 8th Aug., Noon.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI	FOOKSANG	Tuesday, 8th Aug., Noon.

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General Managers, Hongkong, 26th July, 1911.

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Steamer	Tons D.W.	Captain	On or about
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Steamer	From	Expected on or about	For	Will leave on or about
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Tjibodas	JAPAN	2nd half July		
Tjimahli	JAPAN	1st half Aug.		
Tjilini	JAPAN	1st half Aug.		
Tjilatjap	JAPAN	1st half Aug.		
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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
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DESTINATIONS.	STEAMSHIP.	SAILING DATES, 1911
MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP	KITANO MARU, Capt. F. E. Cape, Tons 9,000	WEDNESDAY, 2nd Aug., at D'light.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID	IYO MARU, Capt. R. Takeda, Tons 7,000	WEDNESDAY, 16th Aug., at Daylight.
	HIRANO MARU, Capt. H. Fraser, T. 9,000	WEDNESDAY, 30th Aug., at Daylight.

VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE	SADO MARU, Capt. J. Richard, Tons 7,000	SATURDAY, 12th Aug., from KOBE
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VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND BRISBANE	AWA MARU, Capt. Iriwara, Tons 7,030	TUESDAY, 15th Aug., at 1 P.M.
	INABA MARU, Capt. S. Tomimaga, Tons 7,000	TUESDAY, 12th Sept., at 4 P.M.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, via MANILA, TRINIDAD, ISLAND, TOWNVILLE and BRISBANE	KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winkler, Tons 7,000	FRIDAY, 4th Aug., at Noon.
	YAWATA MARU, Capt. T. Sakine, Tons 5,000	FRIDAY, 1st Sept., at Noon.

KOBE AND YOKO	YAWATA MARU, Capt. T. Sakine, T. 5,000	TUESDAY, 1st August, at Noon.
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KOBE & YOKO	TANGO MARU, Capt. Kawara, Tons 8,000	THURSDAY, 3rd Aug., at 11 A.M.
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SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	HAKATA MARU, Capt. H. Nozawa, Tons 7,000	WEDNESDAY, 2nd Aug.
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BOMBAY via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	WAKASA MARU, Capt. Nelson, Tons 7000	TUESDAY, 8th August.
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COMMERCIAL.

Manchester Goods.

Messrs. Richard Haworth and Co.'s Market Report dated Manchester, June 29, contains the following:—

American cotton, after daily fluctuations, has declined 7 points since the 21st inst. Midding spot closing yesterday 8.14d. The position of actual cotton is so strong—American manipulation is much in evidence, and accounts for the constant erratic fluctuations. The recent rainfall in the cotton belt being reported as insufficient has produced a very nervous feeling, for although there is still no serious damage, the heat has been so abnormal that a good rainfall at an early date has become essential. Egyptian cotton has been in limited demand and a decline of 1-16d. has taken place, the quotation last night for "Good" Brown being 11.3-16d. per lb.

The conditions in the cloth market have not changed during the week; no flow of business can be recorded in any direction and the tone throughout continues quiet and generally featureless.

Where transactions are completed they are usually of minor extent and very few manufacturers have derived satisfaction from the week's trading. Generally quotations have been firmly held, but in some instances, where business of importance has been under consideration, slight concessions have been obtained.

Owing to the uncertainty of cotton values, however, operations continue to be of a restricted character and full production is scarcely being sold. The large consuming markets, practically without exception, maintain a quiet level of demand and buyers are moving with extreme caution.

Negotiation is a very difficult matter, and offering and counter-offering occupies a good deal of time without much accruing in the shape of practical results. Delivery is also a constant source of trouble and for the better known makes engagements still extend a considerable period ahead; in certain fancy cloths and specialties the early months of next year are frequently quoted.

The inadequacy of limits from the Indian markets prevents business of importance being transacted. Buyers are unwilling operators at to-day's rates and with producers generally exhibiting a firm front, very little progress is possible. Staple goods especially have moved very slowly and there is not much doing in light fabrics at present.

A fair amount of inquiry has come from China, bleaching cloths being largely in request, but makers as a rule are well sold and prices are exceptionally firm. The smaller markets exhibit very much the same tendency as the larger ones in restricting operations and though small orders are fairly plentiful the turnover as a whole does not reach important dimensions.

In the Home Trade rather quiet demand has been experienced, the holidays during the past week, coupled with the present labour troubles in various parts of the country, no doubt contributing to the slackened movement.

Close of market steady; Midding Spot, 8.11d.; last week, 8.21d.; last year, 7.70d.

Egyptian Cotton steady; "Good" Brown, 11.3-16d.; last week, 11.1-16d.; last year, 12.3-16d.

The trappers and others employed by the Hudson Bay Company have noticed that where deep water was to be found heretofore it is becoming so shallow that navigation is accomplished with difficulty in places where there was formerly no scarcity of water. Investigation has led to the discovery that the shores of the great body of water are gradually being tipped as if an effort was being made to empty its water into the adjoining sea.

The lay where Henry Hudson spent the winter of 1610 has entirely disappeared or has so changed that it cannot be now located, although there is sufficient data left by him to do so.

TRANSFER OF THE TELEPHONE.

Arbitration May Be Resorted To State to Take Over All the Company's Staff.

June 20.

In the House of Commons yesterday Mr. Herbert Samuel, the Postmaster-General, moved the necessary financial resolution on which to found the Telephone Transfer Bill.

This Bill, he explained, would provide for the completion of a very great transaction, the transfer to the State of the business of the National Telephone Company, with its sixteen millions of capital, 18,000 employees and 500,000 telephone instruments. The telephone had become so essential to the social and commercial life of the country that it could no longer be left in private hands; and as the Telephone Company's plant was a valuable national asset, the Government had entered into an agreement with them to purchase it on equitable terms. He regretted to say there was little prospect of an agreement being arrived at as to the value of the plant.

Divergence of Views.

The divergence of view between the company and the Post Office was so great that no negotiation was likely to bridge the gulf, and it was fully anticipated that the matter would have to be referred to the Railway and Canal Commissioners to determine the precise amount to be paid on the basis of what were known as "trainway terms."

The telephone system in this country was in little more than its infancy, and they looked forward to multiplying it two, three, or even four-fold in the not distant future. The Bill, in addition to providing for the necessary financial arrangements in connection with the transfer, would authorise the raising of four millions sterling for the development of trunk and local services. The price paid for the company's plant would be the predominant factor in fixing the rates to be charged for the telephone service in the future, and he proposed to make no general change in the rates until the Railway and Canal Commissioners had given their award. But subsequent revision would be necessary, because at present many subscribers were receiving their service below cost price. There was in Newcastle a subscriber who had 100 calls a day, for which he paid £7 10s. a year, being at the rate of 25 calls for a penny.

Sir F. Banbury: He must be a Scotsman. (Laughter.)

Whole Staff To Be Taken Over.

Mr. Herbert Samuel said he proposed that if the revision, when it was made, was not generally acceptable, it should be submitted to a committee for examination. The Postmaster-General discussed alternative policies to State management. He had come to the conclusion that the management of telephones was not a suitable enterprise for local bodies, and there were insuperable practical objections to the establishment of a telephone authority on the lines of the Port of London Authority, and outside the control of the Post Office or of the House of Commons. Finally, the Postmaster-General stated that the Post Office would take over the whole staff of the Telephone Company. The pay of the employees would in many cases be greater, and in no case would it be less than the normal salary paid by the company, while the civil service conditions regarding leave, sick pay, etc., were considerably better than those of the company.

Those employees who had subscribed to the company's pension fund would have the choice either of receiving their contributions back or of joining the Post Office Pension Fund, and counting their service in the company towards pension. The rest of the employees—and they were the greater number who had not joined the Company's Pension Fund—would be placed on the Post Office Pension Fund and be allowed to count two years of their service with the company towards pension.

Some discussion took place, but generally the debate was favourable to the scheme, and to the proposals of the Postmaster-General.

Pensions Revision.

The Bill for amending the Old Age Pensions Act, which removes some more disqualifications, thus following up the policy already adopted by the Government for extending the Act, was read a second time. It relieves the widows of aliens from the disability under which they have suffered, and although it was criticised in points of detail by several members, Mr. Hobhouse pointed out that these were all subjects for discussion in Committee.

Soon after dinner-time the House was up.

A CHINESE CONSUL GENERAL.

The new Consul-General for China (Mr. Yung Liang Hwang, M.A.) takes an enthusiastic interest in the great forward-movements that are now taking place in his native land. China's awakening, however, he attributes to an intense thirst after the material advantages of civilisation rather than to any conscious change in her national ideals. "We are a very proud nation we Chinese," he remarked, "and that more than anything else accounts for our exclusiveness. Even now we are changing our social habits not because of any sense of the superiority of Western over Eastern habits, but simply because we have come to the conclusion that as a nation we can no longer live an isolated life if we would enjoy the benefits of civilisation. So we are adapting our social habits to those of the rest of the world to enable us to have social intercourse with them on equal terms." The recent adoption by the Chinese Government of the Christian Sunday is not prompted, he points out, by any change of China's religion, but really by a desire to give China's millions the physical advantage of one day's rest in seven. Officially the attitude of the Chinese Government to the Christian religion is one of indifference, and the time was never so favourable for missionary propaganda. The Boxer rebellion, he emphatically asserts, can never occur again. "That rising," he says, "was a national attempt to expel everything foreign. To-day China is welcoming with open arms everything foreign."

SUFFRAGETTES ON THE MARCH.

Five Miles of Would-be Voters.

"The greatest procession of women since the world began," runs the official description of the Suffragette demonstration assembled on the Embankment on the 17th ult. Over 40,000 women took part in the procession from the Embankment to Albert Hall, and marching five abreast, the queue extended over a distance of five miles. Starting from the Westminster end of the Embankment at 5.30, the fore part of the procession reached the Albert Hall before the rear part had been marshalled into position.

About 100 bands joined in the march, and a feature of the procession was the "Pageant of Women," designed to show the important part women have played in history from the earliest times.

Banners innumerable and flags of every country lent plenty of colour to the procession, and viewed as a mere spectacle, it is one of the most successful efforts the advocates of Woman's Suffrage have yet made. Some of the features which attracted most attention were the Women Pipers in Highland costume, Joan of Arc on horseback (represented by Miss Annan Bryce), Queens of England from Boadicea to Queen Victoria, New Crusaders in royal purple, Empire Pageant with emblematical cars, and the Historical Pageant representing famous women of bygone ages.

A large number of actresses were among those who took part in the procession.

The chief organisers of the procession were the Women's Social and Political Union.

Our kerosene exports to India have increased greatly of recent years, and our fur imports from that section have bounded upward.

MOTOR STAGE-COACHES.

Not content with confining its operations to building of monster battleships, the Thames Ironworks Company is devoting its attention to the possibilities of the stage motor-coach. It is fully believed, a "Morning Leader" representative was informed, that the company is justified in devoting its motor department to these vehicles alone.

The scheme which Mr. Arnold Hills has in mind is an ambitious one. The coaches are to be a delight to the eye. They will be built on the lines of the old stage-coaches, but it is intended that they shall be eminently utilitarian. Within a few weeks of the Coronation a number will be running from the headquarters in Piccadilly to Brighton and other popular resorts within fairly easy distance of town.

It will be part of the scheme of Motor Coaches, Limited, to place its facilities at the disposal of the Post Office for parcel-carrying purposes, and also to devote ten per cent. of its profits, in return for certain facilities, to the towns through which the coaches pass. The usefulness of the scheme has been amply proved in the case of the motor service linking up the seaside resorts of Thanet and Weymouth.

It is stated, however, that the project may not end with the stage motor-coaches. The canals in course of time will be utilised to a much greater extent for passenger, as well as goods traffic, and there are signs that the motor-driven craft may soon be as familiar a sight on our great waterways as the motor omnibus is at present on our roads.

OPIUM.

The sudden stoppage of the opium crops and the ensuing agricultural depression were expected to paralyse the Yunnan trade to a great extent, as the usual flow of silver from neighbouring provinces was entirely stopped and large tracts of land have lain fallow for want of suitable crops.

The vitality of the province, however, has asserted itself once more, and although much hardship has ensued there appeared every probability that the people will tide over the crisis, especially as signs are not wanting that the poppy extermination will be allowed to extend over a longer period than was intended during the first enthusiastic years of the anti-opium campaign. The most healthy sign in the situation is the gradual introduction of silk and cotton, both of which have given promising results in the first experimental year, thus holding out hopes of compensating farmers for their opium losses and of filling the fields which now stand empty for lack of suitable crops.

MR. TAFT'S SILVER WEDDING.

President and Mrs. Taft are celebrating their silver wedding, and there is a gathering of friends and relatives assembled at the White House, including "Aunt Della," who is in her eighty-third year.

"Nephew Will," as she calls the President, is her favourite nephew, and Aunt Della has been described in a public speech, by the President himself, as the "most charming aunt, affectionate companion, and sound adviser that ever blessed a President of the United States."

The biggest cake ever seen in Washington has arrived for the celebration, and as 5,000 guests have been invited, it will be cut into 5,000 pieces. Half a dozen men, says the "Telegraph," were required to transport the cake from the station to the White House. Cherubs, full-grown angels, flowers, fruits, and all sorts of things neither of heaven nor of earth, decorate the top and sides of the immense piece.

Around the base of the cake are twenty-five miniature reproductions of the American flag and the standard of the Pres. lot. Then there are turtle doves and a lot of other things too numerous to mention.

PARCEL POST VIA SIBERIA.

In the House of Commons last month, Mr. Ginnell asked the Postmaster-General, since parcels post service was available from Peking and Tientsin via the Trans-Siberian Railway to England in twelve days, if he would explain why a similar service was not available by the same route from England to those cities of North China, and parcels had to be transmitted instead via Suez, occupying six weeks in transit; and why the quick route, which had been used in both directions by other European countries since it was opened, had not yet been adopted by this country.

Mr. Samuel: The hon. member has been misinformed as to the time of transit. Parcels forwarded from Tientsin by the Trans-Siberian route reach this country in twenty-three days, not twelve days. The service from China by the route in question has not long been available for parcels. I hope to be able at an early date to institute a parcel post by this route from this country. (Hear, hear.)

THE NATIONAL TELEPHONE CO.

The business of the National Telephone Company is to be transferred to the State from Dec. 31 next, and an interesting statement on the subject has been made in the House of Commons by the Postmaster-General. It appears that the business represents £15,000,000, employs 18,000 men and women, and supplies 500,000 subscribers. An inventory is now proceeding, and the price will be decided by the Railway and Canal Commissioners. When the telephone system is acquired by the State a total sum of £6,000,000 over and above the purchase price is to be raised for development purposes.

ACTION AGAINST AMERICAN PUBLISHERS.

The Federal Government began a suit last month against the "Periodical Clothing-house" and 20 publishing firms constituting the so-called Magazine Trust. Among the defendants are Harpers, McClures, the "Review of Reviews," Doubleday Page and Co., Buttericks, and other leading publishers of periodicals. The Government charges them with being engaged in an unlawful conspiracy and a combination to restrain trade and commerce, to destroy and prevent competition, to coerce subscription agents and to fix arbitrarily prices at which publications may be sold by agents. An injunction against the continuation of these practices and a dissolution of the Trust are asked.

Interest in the case is increased by the fact that these magazine publishers recently conducted an elaborate and costly campaign against the Government's Post Office policy.

BODIES IN A BOX.

A gruesome discovery was recently made on the German steamer Cordau, which arrived at Endiz on the voyage home from Argentina. She had on board a number of Spanish emigrants, who were returning to their native land.

Among the number were Jose Gomez, of Ciudad Rodrigo, his wife, and three little children. When the customs officials opened the box containing the belongings of the family they found the bodies of two small children which the parents had brought from Argentina.

On being detained and brought before the magistrate the parents stated that they had been living in a village far removed from urban civilisation and that the two children had in consequence died without receiving medical attendance. The parents then buried the bodies close to their dwelling, but on being forced to return to Spain in consequence of want of work they did not want to leave the remains of their little ones in a country which had proved so hard to them.

The magistrate ordered a medical examination of the remains to be made and their immediate burial afterwards. He also ordered that measures be taken for proving the statements of the parents.

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THE CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

Nationalization Proposals.

(The "Telegraph" Correspondent.) Canton, July 24.

H. E. Lung Kim Chang, who had been despatched to Canton by the Resident of the Ministry of Communications in connection with the nationalization of the Canton-Hankow Railway, has had an interview with H. E. the Viceroy.

During the interview, H. E. Lung said that if the shareholders of the Canton-Hankow Railway were to refuse to accept the Government bonds in exchange of their share scrip, 60 per cent. of their investments would be returned to them, while the remaining 40 per cent. would be refunded by yearly instalments out of the profits accruing from the working of the railway.

However, if the shareholders were prepared to accept the Government bonds, interest of 6 per cent. would be paid on their investments, and also a further dividend should the line turn out to be a successful venture.

His Excellency also asked the Viceroy to try his best to enlighten the shareholders and to prevent them from opposing the Government in the nationalization of railways.

CRYSTAL PALACE'S FUTURE.

Co-Operation of Local Council Asked in Acquisition Scheme.

20th June.

Lord Tenterden, Major-General Sir Alfred Turner, Sir Ernest Shackleton, and Sir William Treloar formed a deputation to the Penge Council yesterday afternoon for the purpose of presenting the scheme for the acquisition of the Crystal Palace as a national memorial to King Edward. The fact that the Palace is situated in Penge was emphasised by Lord Tenterden as a particular reason for their desire to obtain the co-operation of the local authority.

The greatness of the project was undeniable, and its success would be a great accomplishment, said Lord Tenterden. The memorial had more supporters than any other King Edward memorial in the world.

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L10,000 LIBEL DAMAGES.

Strange Law Suit Between Gloucestershire Clergymen.

June 21.

Yesterday at the Gloucestershire Assizes the Rev. Robert Hughes Wilkinson Purnell, assistant diocesan missionary, sued the Rev. George Allon Fisher Pearson, vicar of Staverton, Cheltenham, of which plaintiff is patron, for damages for what was characterised as a "scandalous libel" published in the vestry minutes, and imputed in notices of an impending marriage between plaintiff and defendant's wife sent to the local papers, but which were not published.

Judgment had been obtained in an earlier undefended action, but defendant, it was stated, had since persisted in the libel. A verdict was given for plaintiff, with £10,000 damages.

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BIRTH.

DONNELLY.—On the 26th July, 1911, at "King-clere," Hongkong, the wife of Denis E. Donnelly, of a daughter.

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LABOUR AND CHINESE REFORM.

Prince Ch'ing, who at one time seemed to have borne a most unenviable character in matters political, has, it appears, changed from the ugly duckling, which obstructed the progress of Chinese reform, into a veritable swan-like creature of the most beneficent intentions. It was not many months ago that many of the European Press were holding forth in no mild terms against the man who seemed to be placing obstacle after obstacle in the way of those who were anxious to bring the millennium into China at express rate. It is probable that this was merely an error of judgment on the part of his critics, or in the alternative the suggestion lays that Prince Ch'ing underwent a sudden conversion to the cause. It really matters little which was the real state of affairs, for if the statements of the Prince are of any value at all, they most certainly show that not only has he a good grasp of the needs of the Empire, but that he fully intends to actively assist in working out China's new salvation. It has been said, and doubtless there is a scintilla of truth in the statement, that the secret of China's seeming perpetual youth is the wonderful reasonableness of the people and if the new Prime Minister is at all a criterion the saying is fully justified. Despite the fact that his decaying health was advanced on his behalf as a plea for the non-acceptance of office, he has had to fill the role and one of his early speeches—that delivered at a recent meeting of the Chinese Cabinet—shows that he has determined on as strong a policy of reform as the times, and the state of the country, will permit. According to his version the late Dowager Empress, Hsia Ching and the late Emperor Kuang Hsu, were both aware of the critical stage that had been arrived at in the history of the Empire, and ordered the introduction of a constitutional government, as the only method of "making the country strong." Their wishes have been followed out by the ministers of Hsuan Tang, who noticing the growing demand of the people have shortened the period for the introduction of the new order of things. This is the departure from the old policy of exclusive conservatism, and a taking to the paths, totally new to Chinese, of progressivism. The first step was the creation of a Cabinet very much on the lines of the English parallel though it is perhaps unfortunate that what, for lack of a better term, we will call the Inner Cabinet, should be dominated by four or five ministers who are minus portfolios. It may be some years before we see commoners occupying ministerial positions, and though this is the ideal and the Chinese are far from that at present, the substitute is quite excellent from a progressive point of view.

Prince Ch'ing was only recognising the elementary principles of political economy when he said that the many reforms necessary, were absolutely dependent on the supply of money. He has recognised as some of the western politicians fail to have done, that the true fundamental underlying all State budgeting is, not that the expenditure should be proportionate to the income, but the income to the expenditure. Consequently financial reform is the first and burning need of the hour. We must confess however that we are amused by the bland naïveté of the remark "as the Minister of Finance is experienced in the subject, he will soon find all methods available for it." The realist saith "Put not your trust in princes nor in any child of man," but probably Prince Ch'ing does not know of this. There seems to be a promise in his speech that the agricultural possibilities and the natural resources are about to be developed. The promise is only one of assumption, for there is no definite statement. We hope it will be true, for the development of China's mineral wealth alone would mean much for the Empire at large. Per capita the wealth of China is small. The reason is not far to seek. The perfunctory raising of crops, the few opportunities of indulging in higher and more valuable forms of work, and the diversion of much labour to the performance of trivial and practically worthless industry is responsible for much of the poverty that exists. As everyone knows there are millions of men of excellent physique doing work for a few cents a day where their bodily capabilities are potentially worth a sum with the dollar as unit. This labour in its right channels, viz., the development of the country's resources, would mean the lifting of China from the morass of financial embarrassment to the heights of solvency. China's true method of reform, and Prince Ch'ing knows it, lies in, firstly, governmental readjustment and, secondly, in the better employment of latent labour. Money must follow the latter.

DAY BY DAY.

Of every noble work the silent part is best. Of all expression, that which cannot be expressed.

From No. 10, Sai-wan-ho, Shau-ki-wan, the laundry of clothing and money to the value of \$60 is reported.

The English and French mails which left Hongkong on the 20th and 24th ult. were delivered in London yesterday.

According to latest advices the U.S.S. Samur was still badly ashore below Cook's Head and it is regarded as inevitable that she will have to be dug out.

Jews, who are very sensitive to the gibes of others, are fond of telling tales against themselves. An amusing anecdote appears in the "Jewish Chronicle." Kohn and Low resolve, for business reasons, to get baptised. Kohn goes first to the church. When he comes out, Low asks him, "Well, how was it?" Kohn passes him by haughtily muttering: "Don't speak to me, you Jew."

Admiral Togo.

Admiral Togo, Councillor on Naval Affairs, is to be promoted to Admiral of the Japanese Fleet on the 20th of November and is to be appointed to a position on the Army and Navy Supreme Council.

Whiskey-Making in China.

The "Central China Post" (Hankow) reports: The foreign distillery at Chaochow has now got into working order and daily puts up several hundred piculs of grain. It is much feared that when its output is put on the market the old spirit distillers will lose their trade.

New Oil-field in Saghalien.

A Vladivostok despatch to the "Asahi" reports that English and American financiers have obtained a ninety-year lease for an oil field in Saghalien at a very high figure. The capitalists will work the property jointly and their operations are expected to begin shortly.

Flood at Fatsan.

The flood at Fatsan is getting more serious daily. Some days ago a boat fully loaded with coal was capsized on account of the rapids formed and two lives were lost. A shop dealing in yeast was under water for several days and collapsed. The inmates were buried under the debris, but they were got out, having sustained only a few bruises.

The Opium Conference.

There is a growing opinion in Calcutta, says the "Strait Times," that if America insists upon demanding the holding of an Opium Conference at The Hague, the Powers must prohibit the importation of cocaine and morphine by China, for if this be not done India's sacrifice of the opium duty will be useless.

Shortage of Bar Silver.

The official in charge of the Official Specie Department in Canton has reported to the Provincial Treasurer and the Tao-tai of the Promotion of Industries that the Canton mint is in urgent need of bar silver, which has been running short for some time, for the purpose of turning out subsidiary coins to meet the demand of the money market. The officials asked that permission should be obtained from the Canton Viceroy to make use of the \$1,000,000 placed on deposit in their department in order to buy more bar silver from the foreign banks at Shanghai.

Garrison Orders.

Privilege leave, on private affairs, to the neighbouring countries, has been granted to Captain B. de L. Brock, 123th Baluchistan Infantry, from 1st August to 29th September, 1911, inclusive (or 60 days from date of departure).

There will be a meeting of the Comrades' Graves' Committee at the Chaplain's Room, Scandal Point, at 12 noon on Wednesday, 26th instant. Business:—"Stanley Cemetery."

The ceremony of Trooping the Colour will be performed by the 1st Bn. The King's Own (Yorkshire Light Infantry) on the Hongkong Cricket Club Ground at 9.30 a.m. on August 1st, on the occasion of the 162nd anniversary of the battle of Minden. His Excellency the Governor has kindly consented to take the salute.

The Rev. W. W. White, D.D., of New York, whom it was expected would conduct a series of Bible lectures in Hongkong during August, cabled yesterday stating that he will not be able to come to Hongkong.

The appointment of Mr. W. Stanley Allen, formerly representative of the Sperry Flour Mills in Hongkong, as assistant manager of the Fisher Flouring Mills, Seattle, is announced.

Conductor (who has had to climb the stairs to inform a passenger he has arrived at his destination).—"Ere, you! Don't you want Westminster Abbey?"

Surprised Passenger (still not moving).—"Yes." Conductor (getting really abusive).—"Well, you'd better come down for it. I can't possibly bring it on the 'bus."—"Punch."

No Plague.

No cases of plague were reported during the 24 hours ended at noon to-day.

Indolent Citizens.

A Chinaman was fined \$5 this morning for sleeping on a bench at Blake Pier. Two men were also fined \$3 each for keeping their feet on a seat in Blake Gardens.

Output of Banka Tin.

The Resident of Banka has given the following figures of the output of tin there for June: Ore and slag estimated in metal pls. 16,238, production the previous months, pls. 2,446, total pls. 10,684; compared with June, 1910, pls. 21,947, previous months pls. 32,045, total pls. 53,992.

Pawned Jewellery.

A native youth was charged at the Magistracy this morning with obtaining \$645 worth of jewellery from the Wing Hing shop at 10, Queen's Road Central under false pretences. Defendant pleaded guilty to the charge and was awarded six months' hard labour. A pawnbroker who had accepted the valuables was cautioned by the Magistrate.

Robbery at Sea.

The master of a fishing junk reports to the Police that on the night of the 24th July, while at Shau-ki-wan, off Waglan Light-house, seven men came alongside, boarded the junk, gagged the master and asked for money. The master said there was no money on board, whereupon the robber struck him on the head with the butt-end of a revolver, drove the crew into the hold and nailed down the hatches. The robbers, who were all armed, then ransacked the vessel and stole money and clothing to the value of \$42. The robbers then left, and on the return of the crew on deck, they found that everything had been cleared.

Boxing.

Those sportsmen who follow boxing to any great extent will be pleased to learn that Marriott and Iron Bux have been matched to fight on August 1st. This will be the third occasion on which the two have met, and the event, this time, is to decide who shall hold the title of Bantam Champion of the Far East. The contest which will be one of fifteen rounds is for a side bet and a purse given by Mr. Bysack of the Hippodrome Circus.

Exposing Deformities.

A native was charged at the Magistracy this morning with being a rogue and vagabond and exposing deformities for the purpose of getting alms. The man was cautioned by Mr. J. R. Wood, who remarked that had the man not been born in Hongkong, he would have banished him from the Colony. This method of exciting one's compassion is a disgusting practice, as sometimes the most hideous and gruesome sights are thrust upon the passer-by which should never be allowed to be exposed to public gaze. It is to be hoped that further cases will be brought to the attention of the local magistrates.

Typhoon Warnings.

The telegram quoted below was received at the American Consulate-General, Hongkong, from the Manila Observatory at 10.25 p.m.:—"Manila, July 25, 7.25 p.m. Cyclone or typhoon W. of Balintang Channel moving N.E. or E.N.E. Cyclone or typhoon E. of Naha recurring north-eastward."

The following telegram was received from the Manila Observatory at 12.15 p.m.:—"Manila, July 26, 11.20 a.m. Cyclone or typhoon W. of Balintang Channel, moving W.N.W. or N.W."

WAS THE AGREEMENT BINDING?

RESUMED APPEAL.

Mr. Potter's Submissions.

Before a full court this morning, the hearing of the appeal in which Li Po Hing was the appellant and Li Ling Shi, Li Tsing Pak, Li Po Ling and Po Ling were the respondents, was resumed before Sir Francis Piggott and Mr. Justice Compton.

Mr. O. G. Alabaster as counsel for the appellant asked that judgment "delivered in the action on March 3rd be reversed and that it may be judged that the plaintiff recover against the respondents' contribution in respect of the sum of \$82,212.40 and interest thereon as claimed in the writ of summons in this case and his costs of action and of this appeal to be taxed."

The case concisely stated by Mr. Alabaster was that the parties were brothers suing each other, plaintiff suing his brother and his mother—she might be a concubine—but the male defendants were the sons of the late Lee Sing. One of the sons, Li Po, contracted a number of debts at the time when he was manager of the Lip Hing Bank, and pressure was brought to bear on various members of the family to pay his debts, and eventually a letter of guarantee was signed in which the members of the family guaranteed to pay all such debts up to \$115,000. Plaintiff had, under this guarantee, paid the sum of \$80,000.

Mr. Eldon Potter appeared for three of the respondents.

Mr. Potter Answers Mr. Alabaster.

When the case came up for hearing this morning, a short discussion ensued between the Puisse Judge and Mr. Potter as to the admissibility of certain documents. Then Mr. Potter, opening, said:—"At the last sitting of the Court I submitted to you that there was no necessity for this agreement to be in writing because it did not come within the Statute of Frauds. I just before the Court rose quoted a passage from Chitty on Contracts showing you in case a contract, which need not be written, had in fact been reduced to writing, you could afterwards, by a verbal agreement, extend, vary or qualify that contract as you please. The authority for that proposition is the case of Goss v. Lord Nugent. It is important to notice that there was no substitution, as my friend would have your Lordships to hold. He suggested that by reason of this further oral agreement there was a substitution of the oral for the written contract. That is not the case, as is pointed out in the case of Goss v. Lord Nugent. Take the written contract, the family agreement or any contract where there is a subsequent verbal agreement extending it. The verbal agreement does not constitute a new contract, but take the old one—the written contract and the subsequent oral agreement—the two together form a contract."

The Puisse Judge: Yes.

Mr. Potter: If the Statute of Frauds applies, then of course you could not bring in the subsequent verbal agreement and set it up as the agreement. The real contract in this case is the written contract of the 11th January, plus the subsequent verbal agreement.

Substitution.

The Puisse Judge:—What evidence is there of an oral agreement? Mr. Potter: There is ample evidence, my Lord, and there is actual oral evidence of that oral agreement. And there is an agreement to increase the 80,000 dollars to 115,000 dollars. The Chief Justice: And to bring in the two elder brothers? Mr. Potter: Yes; reference is made to the elder brothers in the evidence somewhere. Continuing he said: It cannot be said that the contract of the 11th January was not a sufficient contract. The written contract of the 11th January obviously is a proper contract and satisfies the requirements of the Statute of Frauds. That is to say, assuming for the sake of argument that the contract must be in writing, then as my friend has contended, possibly the verbal agreement cannot be proved.

I only say "possibly" because there is another reason why the verbal agreement can be proved.

What is the effect of the contract of the 11th January if it cannot be proved? You will find that the verbal agreement being invalid, inasmuch as it is not in writing and does not satisfy the Statute of Frauds, the original written contract stands.

Put it in another way. Take the contract, which must be in writing to satisfy the Statute of Frauds, and is reduced to writing. Subsequently a verbal agreement is come to varying that contract. The verbal agreement is invalid because it is not in writing, and the written contract remains because apparently, you cannot rescind or substitute an invalid contract for a valid one.

Agreement Good and Binding.

The Puisse Judge: It is a nullity.

Mr. Potter: Yes, it is a nullity, but the written contract remains binding the parties.

Proceeding, Mr. Potter said:—To show you that the decision of the Court below was correct there is one additional reason why the judgment is correct. This is a contract in which the doctrine of part performance applies. I now assume the contract must be in writing, and that being so, although the contract ought to have been in writing to satisfy the Statute of Frauds, the Court will enforce that contract, because it has been part performed. The authority for this is found in McManis v. Cook that lays down definitely that the doctrine of part performance is not confined only to interest in land but applies to any contract which the court of equity will grant specific performance of.

I submit that this is the law. The contract need not be in writing.

My friend says it is void and invalid. I submit the finding of the court below is a good one, and that the family agreement is a good, binding and proper one.

Just before adjourning for till, an argument ensued as to the admissibility of certain documents. On resuming after the adjournment Mr. Potter drew attention to a letter mentioned and dated March 8th.

"It had been suggested by the plaintiff's solicitors," said Mr. Potter, "that a mortgage was made in pursuance of the family agreement, and my friend contended that the family agreement could only mean the written agreement of the 11th of January. If their Lordships would look at the later portion of the letter of March 8th that our clients were willing to assist their brother in the settlement of his affairs to the extent of 115,000 dollars, that could not mean the written agreement because it was only for 80,000 dollars. It meant the written plus the verbal agreement."

"No Verbal Agreement."

Mr. Alabaster rising said:—"My friend relies very largely on what he calls a verbal agreement. Not only has that verbal agreement never been proved, but there never was any verbal agreement. That arises from your Lordship's question as to the evidence of verbal agreement. My friend was hard put to it to find any evidence at all, because, I submit, there never was any such agreement, and at last he dug out two little things from the judge's notes. His case is that the verbal agreement was made between all the brothers—exactly the same parties as interested in the written family agreement. That is his case."

When we come to see where the verbal agreement sprang from, we find it referred to Ho Yu Ming's evidence where he refers to a meeting where the written family agreement was signed; and it appears in the judge's notes, "some days after the meeting," Mr. Ho Yu Ming had an interview with the plaintiff endeavouring to persuade him to subscribe more. But he would not. It is quite clear there was no verbal agreement between the brothers to subscribe any larger amount. As regards the letter of March 8th, the mortgage was given in pursuance of the family agreement. The family agreement refers to the written agreement. I want to make that clear, because it knocks their case out. They depend upon the verbal agreement.

The case was proceeding as we went to press.

DYNAMITE BOMBS SEIZED.

On Canton Steamer.

News was brought down with the arrival of the Canton steamer this morning that a quantity of dynamite bombs was seized on the arrival of a steamer from Hongkong, not one of the boats belonging either to the Hongkong, Canton and Mucan Steamboat Co. or Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. The seizure was made by officers of the Customs Department in the course of their search for contrabands. It is reported that the explosive bombs were discovered concealed under the mattress of one of the Chinese first-class passengers. Whether the owner of the deadly missiles has been arrested or not our report does not say, but the discovery has given the Chinese officials food for "furious to think."

A later arrival from Canton this afternoon brought the additional information that the man conveying the "infernal machines" has not been arrested, a fact which has thrown the higher officials into a state of consternation. Rumour is, as usual, active in Canton to the effect that the bombs were intended for use to blow up the Viceroy's Yamen and as the quantity seized is stated to be something like thirty pounds the conspirators have enough and to spare if their design be the mining of the official residence. In consequence of the seizure, we hear the Viceroy has issued instructions for the formulation of more stringent regulations governing the searching of all arrivals by river and the proper and efficient carrying out of the new rules is left to the officers of the Maritime Customs.

HONGKONG DOCK CO.

Secures Tramway Co. Contract.

Ever since the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. launched out in the direction of engineering undertakings beyond the docking and repairing of ships, the Company has met with gratifying success. The first large contract the Company secured was that for the construction of the cars for the Kowloon-Canton Railway (British section). Following upon that as its natural corollary was the placing of the order by the Chinese Railway Administration for the cars to be run on the Imperial section. The workmanship and finish of the cars, with which our readers are already familiar, reflect credit on the builders. That skilful workmanship and first class material are firm's best recommendations, is testified by the fact that the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. have just recently been awarded a contract by the Hongkong Electric Tramway Co. for the construction of three cars to supplement those in use on the line. We feel certain that the news we are the first to be able to communicate to the public will be received with justifiable satisfaction not only by the large number of shareholders in the successful tendering firm but also by the community at large. It speaks much for the present administration of the Dock Company that they are capable of so framing their estimate as to secure the award of the contract in the face of keen competition on the part of other builders equally anxious with themselves to underbid one another.

The Moreton Terrace Affair.

The case was continued before Mr. F. A. Hazeland at the Magistracy this afternoon in which Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Walter summoned E. Braun, an overseer at Jardine's Sugar Refinery, for alleged assault at Quarry Bay. Further evidence was called and the case adjourned. Mr. J. H. Gardiner appeared for the complainant and Mr. M. Lander Harris defended.

The Fills-Bysack Combination.

To-morrow night Mr. Fills will give his first change of programme in connection with the Fills and Bysack combination at the Hippodrome. One of the special features of the change will be a grand hunting spectacular scene entitled "Tally Ho." This sketch of the hunting field has been shown in Calcutta for three successive weeks without change, and has been received with enthusiasm at every place they have shown.

LOG BOOK.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

The forty-second report of the directors of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha (Japan Mail Steamship Co., Ltd.) was presented to the shareholders at a general meeting held at Tokio on May 26. The Gross Profits of the Company for the past half-year amounted to ¥1,001,905.274, out of which there has been paid: Depreciation of the Company's fleet and property ¥1,425,448.340; Insurance Fund ¥1,133,306.270; Ship's Structural Repair Fund ¥585,775.670, leaving a balance of ¥2,573,836.103, including ¥850,400.109 brought forward from the last Account. The Directors proposed that ¥85,871.750 be added to the Reserve Fund, raising it to ¥3,066,732.519, and ¥470,108.790 to the Reserve for the Annual Reduction of Subsidies, bringing it to ¥1,550,540.730; also that ¥50,405.090 be allowed as Directors' and Auditors' fees. From the remainder the Directors recommended a dividend at the rate of ten per cent. per annum, which would absorb ¥1,100,000.000. The balance, ¥851,389.473, will be carried forward to the next account.

Pirates Torture Junk Captain.

A message from Taiwan dated the 8th instant states that while on her way from Antung to Taiwan a large junk loaded with a full cargo of beams was boarded by pirates a few miles off Taiwan on the night of the 3rd instant. The pirates first ordered the junk to stop by firing a gun, and upon the order being obeyed eight men, all wearing masks and armed with revolvers and swords, boarded the junk and imprisoned the crew in the cabin. They then bound the captain with cords, and tortured him until he disclosed the whereabouts of the provisions and clothing on board. The pirates also carried away the bedding, lamps and even the whole sailing gear of the junk, which was left at the mercy of the wind and waves for three days.

The Stranding of S.S. Inveresk.

The report is issued of the official inquiry into the loss of the steamer Inveresk, of Liverpool, which stranded on a reef near the island of Juin de Nova, Mozambique Channel, on March 22 last, and was totally lost. The Inveresk, which carried a cargo of steel rails and bridge work, was on passage from New York to Moji. In delivering judgment the Court found that the Inveresk, during her passage from Natal up to the time of her stranding, was navigated in a most careful and seamanlike manner. All the customary observations were carefully taken, and every precaution adopted in order to ensure the safety of the vessel. But after 4.30 p.m. on March 22 the vessel came within the scope and influence of a current which set her to the eastward, and as a result the vessel struck on the reef. A good look-out was kept and maintained. The Court and Assessors were of opinion that no blame attached to the master or to anyone on board the Inveresk.

Junk and Passengers Capsized.

About eleven o'clock on Thursday morning while a heavy squall was blowing a Chinese sailing junk which was bound for Kajao Creek with about fifty passengers on board, capsized in the river when close to the No. 3 buoy. Mr. Samples, in the harbour launch, and a dock launch that was in the vicinity at once rendered assistance and were successful in rescuing all the crew and passengers of the junk, which had been very much overcrowded. The overturned junk was afterwards towed down river by the harbour launch and beached at Yangtze-poo, near Shanghai.

The Salvage of the Crab

which sank off Butterworth on the 9th ult., has been entrusted to Mr. W. J. Trowell, Inspector of Marine Surveys, who will employ a particular method of his own, presumably that which he employed in the recent salvaging of the dredger Kuantan. The Crab is immersed in about 15 ft. of water and lies at an angle of about 100 deg. from the upright position. The vessel having turned over the right angle the operation of righting her will be somewhat more difficult than in the case of the Kuantan.

Public Companies

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY COMPANY, LTD.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of Three and a half Dollars per Share for the Six months ending 30th June, will be payable on SATURDAY, 25th July, on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's office.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 20th July, to SATURDAY, the 25th July (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1911. [136]

THE WEST POINT BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of Two Dollars per Share for the Six months ending 30th June, will be payable on SATURDAY, 25th July, on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's office.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 20th July, to SATURDAY, the 25th July (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Company, Limited.

General Agents for the West Point Building Company, Limited.
Hongkong, 14th July, 1911. [126]

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Hotel Mansions, on TUESDAY, the 8th August, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 26th July to 8th August, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. E. CLARKE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1911. [126]

To Sail



The Peninsular & Oriental Steam Navigation Company.

TEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, CONFIDENTIAL, AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"DELHI"
Captain H. S. Bradshaw, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay, &c., on SATURDAY, the 6th August, 1911, at Noon, taking passengers and Cargo in connection with the Company's steamer "Moldavia," 9,500 tons, from Colombo, passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Wool and Valuable, all cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay by the steamer "Calcutta," due in London on the 17th September, 1911.

Passes will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The amounts and value of all packages required.

For further particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 22nd July, 1911. [4]

E. C. Wilks, M. I. Mech. E., A. M. S. N. A.
Consulting Engineer and Surveyor for construction, Valuation and Assessment for the purchase, or sale, of Steamships or Launches.

ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, 2nd Floor.
Hongkong, 14th July, 1911. [1190]

Shipping Steamers.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LD.

Hongkong-South China Coast Ports.

Highest Class, Fastest and Most Luxurious Steamers on the Coast, having splendid Accommodation for First-Class Passengers. Electric Light, Excellent Cuisine.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOSHOW AND RETURN.
(Occupying 9 to 10 days.)

STEAMSHIPS.
Haitan ... Capt. J. S. Rouch ... FRIDAY, 28th July, at 1 p.m.
Haitan ... Capt. W. G. Passmore ... TUESDAY, 1st Aug., at 1 p.m.
FOR SWATOW AND RETURN. (Occupying 3 Days).
Haitan ... Capt. A. H. S. Swart ... SUNDAY, 30th July, at Noon.
During the months of JULY and AUGUST, RETURN TICKETS at table for three months will be issued at a reduction of 20% on the usual rate for Foodstuffs.

Steamers will arrive at, and depart from the Co.'s Wharf near Blake Pier. For Freight and Passage, apply to

Douglas, Laprak & Co.,
General Managers.

To Sail

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship

"ARRATOON APCAR,"
Captain G. P. Hudson, will be despatched for the above ports on FRIDAY, the 28th instant, at Daylight. The Steamer has superior accommodation for passengers, is installed throughout with Electric Light and carries a duly certified doctor.

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN
(Occupying 20 days).

Return tickets are available by the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Steamers. Fare for round trip \$120. For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 24th July, 1911. [127]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

(Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Rangoon, Madras, and Mauritius.)

THE Steamship

"GREGORY APCAR,"
Captain S. H. Nelson, will be despatched for the above ports on FRIDAY, the 28th inst., at 1 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 24th July, 1911. [1227]

Hongkong-New York.



AMERICAN-ASIATIC S.S. CO.

FOR NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.
(With liberty to call at the Malabar Coast.)

S.S. "INVERCLYDE"

WEDNESDAY, 26th July, at Noon. For Freight and further information, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 20th July, 1911. [1240]

CHINESE ENGINEERING AND MINING COMPANY, LD.

CANTON-HONGKONG-TIENTSIN LINE.

With liberty to call at intermediate ports.

THE Steamship

"KWANGPING"
will be despatched for Tientsin about end of July.

For Freight, apply to

CHINESE ENGINEERING AND MINING CO., LD.,
16, Alexandra Buildings,

or

CHANG FAT YUEN,
302, Des Voeux Road Central.

Hongkong, 3rd July, 1911. [1239]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"PEMBROKESHIRE,"
Captain W. Barrett, will be despatched as above about 2nd August.

The attention of passengers is directed to the splendid accommodation afforded by this steamer at cheap rates. A Doctor and Stewards are carried, and all cabins have electric fans.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 20th July, 1911. [1241]

Consignee

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"ARRATOON APCAR,"
having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed at once, at consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after 4 p.m. of the 26th inst., will be landed at consignees' risk and expense.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their goods from alongside, such cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & Co., LD.

Agents.

Hongkong, 24th July, 1911. [1270]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"DELHI"

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:

From London, &c., ex S.S. "Mona."

From Persian Gulf, ex S.S. B. I. S. N. and B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary within 6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 26th inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD and DOWNES, at 10 a.m. on MONDAYS and THURSDAYS. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 20th July, 1911. [4]

JOHN THOMAS COTTON.

VETERINARIAN & FARRIER

(Qualified).

No. 1, Queen's Road East, HONGKONG.

20th April, 1911. [1095]

A LING & CO

FURNITURE AND PHOTO SUPPLIES.

DEVELOPING, PRINTING AND ENLARGING.

10, Queen's Road. [1803]

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ELECTRICAL AND GAS CONTRACTORS.

230, Des Voeux Road Central.

Tel. No. 200.

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COMMERCIAL.
EXCHANGE.

Selling.	
London—Bank T.T.	1/9 7/16
Do. Demand	1/9 1/4
Do. 4 months' sight	1/9 1/4
France—Bank T.T.	2.26 1/2
America—Bank T.T.	43 1/2
Germany—Bank T.T.	1.82 1/2
India T.T.	188 1/2
Do. Demand	184 1/2
Shanghai—Bank T.T.	74 1/2
Sing. —Bank T.T. per H.K.	100 7/8
Japan—Bank T.T.	87 1/2
Java—Bank T.T.	107 1/2
Buying.	
4 months' sight L/C.	1/9 13/16
6 months' sight L/C.	1/9 15/16
80 days' sight San Fco & N. York	44 1/2
4 months' sight do.	46 1/2
80 days' sight Sydney & Melbourne	1/10 1/16
4 months' sight France	2.80
6 months' sight do.	2.82
4 months' sight Germany	1.87
Bar Silver	24 3/16
Bank of England rate	8 1/2
Sovereign	\$11.10

POST OFFICE.

Only fully prepaid letters and post-cards are transmissible by the Siberian Route to Europe.

A Mail will close for:—

Singapore, Penang and Colombo—Per

Sing. 27th July, 11 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 27th July, 1.15

p.m.

Shanghai—Per Linan, 27th July,

8 p.m.

Swatow, Tsingtau, Wei-hai-wei, Chefoo,

and Tientsin—Per Cheong-

shing, 27th July, 3 p.m.

Tsingtau and Chefoo—Per Ichang,

27th July, 3 p.m.

Shanghai, Kobe and Moji—Per Arima-

maru, 27th July, 5 p.m.

Aoying and Takao—Per Soshu-maru,

28th July, 9 a.m.

Hoihow and Haiphong—Per Singu,

28th July, 9 a.m.

Shanghai—Per Kwong-sung, 28th

July, 10 a.m.

Keelung, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe,

Yokohama, Shimizu, Yokohama,

Honolulu and San Francisco—Per

Tenyo-maru, 28th July, 11 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per

Haitan, 28th July, noon.

Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per

Gregory, 28th July, noon.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 28th July, 1.15

p.m.

Ningpo and Shanghai—Per Kweiin,

28th July, 3 p.m.

Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang and

Sourabaya—Per Tjipanas,

29th July, 11 a.m.

Manila (taking Mail for Cebu and

Hilo)—Per Loong-sung, 29th

July, 1 p.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 29th July, 1.15

p.m.

SHANGHAI SIBERIAN Mail to

Europe—Per Chin-hua, 29th

July, 6 p.m.

Swatow—Per Hoihow, 30th July,

9 a.m.

Manila, Cebu and Hilo—Per Rabi,

31st July, 3 p.m.

Kobe and Yokohama—Per Yawata-

maru, 1st Aug. 10 a.m.

Europe, India via Tientsin—Per

Armand Behic, 1st Aug. noon.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per

Halching, 1st Aug. noon.

Wei-hai-wei and Tientsin—Per Hui-

chow, 1st Aug. 8 p.m.

Tsingtau and Newchwang—Per Nam-

ching, 1st Aug. 8 p.m.

Singapore, Penang and Colombo—Per

Khanu-maru, 1st Aug. 5

p.m.

Manila, (taking Mail for Cebu and

Hilo) Thursday Island,

Cooktown, Cairns, Towns-

ville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hob-

art, Launceston, New

Zealand, Dunedin, Mel-

bourne, Adelaide, Perth and

Freemantle—Per Prince

Waldemar, 12th Aug. 8

SHIPPING NEWS.

MAILS DUE.

Pacific (Koror) 1st prox.

The s.s. Rabi left Manila on 24th inst., and is due here on the 27th inst., at daylight.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company's R.M.S. Empress of Japan arrived at Shanghai yesterday at 9.30 a.m., and left again at 7 p.m., same day for Nagasaki where she is due to arrive on the 27th inst., at 6 a.m.

The silk ex O. S. K. s.s. Seattle Maru which left this port on 19th ult., was delivered in New York on the 20th inst.

ARRIVALS.

Nanchang, Br. s.s., 1,063, R. Robertson, 26th July—Chefoo 19th July, Gen.—B. & S.

Kashing, Br. s.s., 1,260, C. Laver, 26th July—Wakamatsu 20th July, Black Diamonds—B. & S.

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July 26.

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